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REF: (A) USUN 3293; (B) MOSCOW 8369

1. DEPT CONCURS SMUN PRESS RELEASE REPORTED REFTTEL A IN-
CONSISTENT WITH FOUR-POWER UNDERSTANDING THEY WOULD NOT
ATTACK ONE ANOTHER'S POSITIONS IN CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE
CONTEXT. MOREOVER, IN DEPT VIEW, SMUN PRESS RELEASE MIS-
REPRESENTS US POSITION RE CHARTER AMENDMENT BY IMPLYING US
IN ITS DESIRE CURB "TYRANNY OF MAJORITY" SEEKING AMENDMENTS
OF CHARTER. US DOUBTS RE POSSIBILITY OBTAINING NECESSARY
AGREEMENT ON ANY CHARTER AMENDMENTS AT THIS TIME AND
THEREFORE UNDESIRABILITY OF SEEKING ANY HAVE BEEN MADE CLEAR
TO USSR BOTH THROUGH FOUR-POWER CONSULTATIONS IN NEW YORK
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AND RECENT BUFFUM-ISRAELIAN CONSULTATIONS IN MOSCOW

(REFTEL B).

2. EMBASSY MOSCOW SHOULD THEREFORE MAKE LOW KEY BUT FIRM APPROACH TO MFA AT APPROPRIATE LEVEL, RECALLING AMBASSADOR BUFFUM'S PROTEST RE BYELORUSSIA'S ALLEGATION OF VETO ABUSE IN ITS RESPONSE TO SYG RE CHARTER REVIEW. EMBASSY SHOULD POINT OUT SMUN PRESS RELEASE CAN ONLY BE CONSIDERED ANOTHER SOVIET DEPARTURE FROM FOUR-POWER UNDERSTANDING REFERRED TO IN PARA 1 ABOVE. IN US VIEW SUCH DEPARTURES NOT HELPFUL TO ONGOING FOUR-POWER CONSULTATIONS IN NEW YORK

WHICH IT OUR UNDERSTANDING ALL FOUR POWERS WISH TO SEE CONTINUED DURING UPCOMING MEETING OF AD HOC COMMITTEE ON CHARTER REVIEW. FURTHERMORE, THEY ARE TOTALLY CONTRARY TO SPIRIT UNDERLYING AMBASSADOR BUFFUM'S CONSULTATIONS WITH ISRAELYAN WHICH BOTH SIDES VIEW AS EFFORT TO ACCENTUATE AND DEVELOP AREAS OF AGREEMENT ON UN ISSUES. EMBASSY SHOULD ALSO POINT OUT THAT WHILE WE DO NOT GO AS FAR AS USSR IN OPPOSING ANY CHANGES IN CHARTER, WE HAVE MADE CLEAR TO USSR OUR POSITIONS ARE CLOSE ON THIS ISSUE AND WE HAVE NO SPECIFIC AMENDMENTS IN MIND TO PROPOSE AT THIS TIME, WHICH SMUN PRESS RELEASE IMPLIES WE HAVE.

3. AS RECOMMENDED PARA 2, REFTTEL A, USUN SHOULD ALSO PROTEST SMUN PRESS RELEASE AT NEXT FOUR-POWER MEETING ALONG THESE SAME LINES AND ENCOURAGE BRITISH DO LIKEWISE SINCE THEIR ASSESSMENT SMUN PRESS RELEASE IS SAME AS OURS. KISSINGER

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